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HP acknowledges that the SPECpower_ssj2008 result (ID-20090325-00136) performed on the HP ProLiant DL380 G6 is non-compliant due to the SPEC Availability and Fair-Use requirements. During the process of tuning the benchmark prior to publication, a hardware configuration was used that provided a power savings benefit. This configuration utilized a 64GB solid-state drive (SSD) in the optical media bay that was connected directly to the system’s SATA controller.

HP decided to limit this configuration to particular channels based on anticipated demand. As a result this option does not meet the SPEC’s “general availability” requirements and therefore is non-compliant.

We acknowledge that any claims based on this benchmark result published April 8, 2009 (ID-20090325-00136) are not valid and should not be used to make business decisions.

HP has also implemented a higher-level of internal certification for benchmark configurations and options to ensure that the SPEC “general availability” requirements are met.

Regards,

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